



## Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

# Fish and Wildlife Commission

### **SPECIAL MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT**

**AUGUST 7, 2014**

Natural Resources Building - 1111 Washington St SE Olympia WA 98501

### **THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 2014**

- 3:00 PM**      **1. Executive Session** *90 min*  
Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i), the Commission will meet in executive session to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency is, or is likely to become, a party. No action will be taken in executive session, and the public is not permitted to attend the executive session.
- 4:30 PM**      **Recess**

### **Preliminary Meeting Agenda** **AUGUST 8-9, 2014 – REGULAR MEETING**

Natural Resources Building - 1111 Washington St SE Olympia WA 98501  
First Floor, Room 172

### **FRIDAY, AUGUST 8, 2014**

- 8:30 AM**      **2. Call to Order** *15 min*  
a. Commissioners' Discussion  
b. Meeting Minute Approval
- 8:45 AM**      **3. Open Public Input** *30 min*  
The Commission is a direct link between the citizens of Washington and the Department of Fish and Wildlife. Comments on Department programs and topics of concern are welcome during this portion of the meeting.  
**NOTE:** During this portion of the meeting, the public is encouraged to comment on issues that do not already have public input time on the agenda.
- 9:15 AM**      **4. Director's Report** *75 min*  
The Director will brief the Commission on various items.
- 10:30 AM**      **Break** *15 min*
- 10:45 AM**      **5. 2014-2015 Waterfowl Season – Briefing, Public Hearing and Decision** *40 min*  
Department staff will brief the Commission on Migratory Waterfowl Seasons and Regulations and take public comments on the proposed changes to amend WAC 232-28-436.

Staff Report: Don Kraege, Waterfowl Section Manager, Wildlife Program

**Public Input – This Item Only**

- 11:25 AM**     **6. Proposed Land Transactions – Briefing, Public Hearing and Decision**     *30 min*  
The Commission will consider approval of various land transactions recommended by the Department for the protection of critical fish and wildlife habitat, enhancement of public recreation opportunities.
- Staff Report: Clay Sprague, Lands Division Manager, Wildlife Program
- Public Input – This Item Only**
- 11:55 AM**     **Lunch**     *65 min*
- 1:00 PM**     **7. Elk Hoof Disease Diagnostic Update – Briefing**     *75 min*  
Department staff will brief the Commission on elk hoof disease diagnostic findings to date, and assessment of those findings by the WDFW Elk Hoof Disease Technical Advisory Group.
- Staff Report: Dr. Sandra Jonker, Region 5 Wildlife Program Manager and Dr. Kristin Mansfield DVM, MPVM, Wildlife Veterinarian
- 2:15 PM**     **8. Southwest Washington Elk Recreational Hunting - Briefing , Public Hearing and Decision**     *45 min*  
Department staff will brief the commission on new WAC proposal for recreational elk hunting in southwest Washington.
- Staff Report: Jerry Nelson, Ph.D., Deer and Elk Section Manager, Wildlife Program
- Public Input – This Item Only**
- 3:00 PM**     **Break**     *15 min*
- 3:15 PM**     **9. Geoduck Diver License Rulemaking – Briefing and Public Hearing**     *20 min*  
Department staff will brief the Commission on the CR-102s filed for geoduck diver license rule changes to address the process for issuing geoduck diver licenses in light of the Legislature capping licenses issued by the department at 77 licenses per calendar year beginning January 1, 2015.
- Staff Report: Frank Hawley, Licensing Program and Joanna Eide, Enforcement Program
- 3:35 PM**     **10. HPA Rules Update - Briefing and Public Hearing**     *2 hrs*  
Department staff will brief the Commission on the CR-102 version of the hydraulic code, including a summary of comments received from stakeholders and tribes.
- Staff Report: Lisa Veneroso, Habitat Assistant Director; Jeff Davis Habitat Deputy Assistant Director; Randi Thurston, Habitat Protection Division Manager.
- Public Input – This Item Only**
- 5:35 PM**     **Recess**

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 9, 2014

- 8:30 AM**     **11. Open Public Input** *30 min*  
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- 9:00 AM**     **12. Game Management Plan - Briefing & Public Hearing** *90 min*  
Department staff will brief the Commission on the proposed 2015-2021 Game Management Plan.  
  
Staff Report: Dave Ware, Game Division Manager  
  
**Public Input – This Item Only**
- 10:30 AM**     **Break** *15 min*
- 10:45 AM**     **13. 2015 Operating Budget Request - Briefing** *30 min*  
Department staff will brief the Commission and answer questions about the agency's operating budget proposals.  
  
Staff Report: Owen Rowe, Budget Officer, Technology and Financial Management
- 11:15 AM**     **14. Capital Budget Request - Briefing** *30 min*  
Department staff will provide an informational brief and answer questions about the agency's Capital Budget.  
  
Staff Report: Tim Burns, Assistant Director, Capital and Asset Management Program
- 11:45 AM**     **15. 2015 Legislative Proposals - Briefing** *45 min*  
Department staff will brief the Commission and answer questions about the agency's 2015 legislative proposals.  
  
Staff Report: Ann Larson, Legislative Liaison
- 12:30 PM**     **16. 2015 Performance Agreement – Decision** *30 min*  
The Director and Commissioners will discuss the proposed 2015 Performance Agreement and Expectations.
- 1:00 PM**     **17. Miscellaneous and Meeting Debrief** *15 min*  
The Commission will discuss items that arise immediately before or during the meeting and after the preliminary agenda is published.
- 1:15 PM**     **Adjourn**

## MEMBERS

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**Bradley Smith**, Ph.D., Vice Chair, Bellingham  
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**Larry Carpenter**, Mount Vernon  
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**Jay Kehne**, Omak  
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**Robert Kehoe**, Seattle  
(At-large position, King County)  
Occupation: Executive Director, Purse Seine Vessel Owners' Association  
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**Conrad Mahnken**, Ph.D., Bainbridge Island  
(At-Large position, Kitsap County)  
Occupation: Retired fisheries biologist  
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**Rolland Schmitten**, Lake Wenatchee  
(Eastern Washington position, Chelan County)  
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